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CIO to endorse for Senator April 19

REPORT To Our Reader - Owners

'AUTOS vs. PEOPLE'

Washington Square in New York City isn't nearly so beautiful as Lake Merritt, but like our own jewel of water, it is a haven of rest for the eye weary of cement and steel and traffic. But now, just as some people here think there should be bridges across our lake so traffic could flow faster and more unobstructedly, there is a determined effort being made to run a 4-lane roadway through the green grass and trees of that haven of repose, Washington Square.

The plan is to extend Fifth Avenue through the little park and make it a one-way artery. The groups opposing this scheme insist, as one of their spokesmen puts it, that "the time has come to settle the question of automobiles versus people. All our official planning seems to have acquiesced to the proposition that more traffic is inevitable and that we must accommodate everything else to easing its flow."

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MRS. ROOSEVELT

Eleanor Roosevelt is one of the many fine people demanding that the city authorities stop and think before wrecking this precious little acreage. It's too bad there weren't more such people around when the San Francisco city authorities cut great speedways through that still more lovely haven, Golden Gate Park.

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More closely resembling Lake Merritt is beautiful Walden Pond in Massachusetts which is famous as the place where Henry David Thoreau built a hut and wrote the book, "Walden", that has been read by an increasing number of persons all over the world for many years.

The authorities who have charge of Walden Pond and the land around it had been cutting down many trees and bulldozing for "improvements." The Eleanor Roosevelts of Massachusetts rose up and fought that scheme, and won out. It's been stymied.

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THE SUPREME COURT

So perhaps there'll be no 4-lane speedway through Washington Square.

And perhaps there'll never be bridges across Lake Merritt. Maybe the Supreme Court of Public Opinion will decide the crucial case of Automobiles versus People in favor of the defendant.

CLC SPEAKER: "I'm trying to be unpleasant." Voice from floor: "You're doing fine, brother!"

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

CLC ousts Bakers; will confer with Meany on Teamos

The Central Labor Council at its meeting Monday night, acting on the recommendation of the executive committee, ousted the three Alameda County Bakery Workers locals.

One is commonly called the Bread Bakers, another the Cracker Bakers, and the third, the Candy Makers.

Richard Groulx, CLC assistant secretary, reminded the delegates that the old international with which the three locals are affiliated had been expelled from the AFL-CIO some months ago. But a letter from the AFL-CIO he said, permitted locals of the expelled international to remain affiliated with local councils for a time to see if they wished to find a haven in the new international organized by the AFL-CIO.

Repeated conferences with the three locals, said Groulx, had failed to budge them from their determination to stay with the old ousted international. Accordingly, since Dan Flanagan, AFL-CIO regional director, was now helping the new international to organize here, the council could not be in the position of retaining affiliates which were blocking an AFL-CIO organizing campaign.

William York of Teamsters 78 asked on what documentary mandate was this action of expulsion from the council being taken, after the months of delay. During the discussion which followed Groulx, and later the other assistant secretary of the council, Arthur Hellenner, reiterated the explanation that new documents were unnecessary, and that Regional Director Flanagan's organizing problem required the move.

Herb Denk of the Bakers said

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BTC votes to go all out on picketing initiative

"No court or judge of this State shall enjoin or award any damages for peaceful and truthful picketing regardless of the purpose of the picketing or strike."

That is the short and sweet initiative proposal which the Building Trades Council voted at its meeting this week to make every effort to get on the November ballot.

It was agreed that the BTC unions will take on the responsibility of getting 40,000 signatures for the proposal in Alameda County.

Since all signatures must be in and officially accepted as valid by June 26 this means that there must be a tremendous drive made during the two months before the deadline.

The proposal was launched by the Santa Clara County BTC. Roger Brenner of that council had conferred with the Board of Business Agents at the board's last two meetings, and the board had agreed that the council should be advised to back the measure.

The proposal arose as the result of the recent 4-3 decision of the State Supreme Court in the Garmon case. In that case the building trades and the Teamsters lost their fight against an injunction and fines ordered by a San Diego Superior Court.

BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers said that ever since Governor Knight appointed Marshall F. McComb to the State Supreme Court labor had been losing there by 4 to 3 decisions, whereas prior to McComb's appointment decisions of the Supreme Court had been running 4 to 3 in the liberal direction.

"One act of a Governor can tie up labor for years to come," commented Childers.

Since it was felt that it would be impossible to get the picketing measure through the Legislature it had been felt in Santa Clara County that an appeal should be made directly to the people through the initiative procedure.

Childers pointed out that since seemingly enough signatures have already been collected for labor's cut-the-sales-tax initiative measure, the field was open for a big drive for signatures for the picketing amendment to the State Constitution.

Asked how the State Federation of Labor feels about the proposal, Childers replied that Federation Secretary C. J. Haggerty regrets that the matter did not come up through regular channels of procedure, and fears that if labor failed to get the requisite signatures, it would be used against labor.

Charles Roe, Hayward Carpenters 1622, remarked that of course this would be pretty strictly a building trades battle. Childers agreed that the building trades throughout the State would have to carry the ball.

Hugh Rutledge, Painters 127,

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Cohelan speaking to Pension Clubs

Jeffery Cohelan, candidate for Congress in the 7th District, will speak at a joint meeting of the Democratic Pension Labor Clubs of that district at the True Food cafeteria, 308 - 14th Street, Oakland, at 6 p.m. Friday, April 25, County President C. F. Dittmar announces. Central Labor Council Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx will speak on the "right to work."

Local COPE: Engle; State AFL okays Engle AND Knight!

Organized labor in Alameda County was looking forward this week to the gathering in Fresno Saturday of the important State CIO Council on Political Education (COPE).

At that convention endorsements of candidates will be made for the June 3 primary election.

William D. Drohan, vice-president of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, told the CLC delegates Monday night, after astonishment had been expressed at the action of the State AFL in endorsing BOTH Clark Engle and Goodwin Knight for U. S. Senator:

"We who represent unions of the old CIO share your dejection concerning the endorsement of Knight by the AFL Labor League for Political Education. But the California CIO COPE meets in Fresno over this weekend. Nobody in the CIO owes a political debt to anyone. So I am sure at the next meeting of this council we can give you some news about endorsements which you will like better than that you have received tonight."

At the CIO COPE convention in Fresno the Central Labor Council will be represented by CLC Assistant Secretaries Richard Groulx and Arthur Hellenner. The Alameda County Council on Political Education (COPE) which, as reported on page 3 of this issue, endorsed Engle for Senator unanimously, is sending to the CIO COPE convention in Fresno City Councilman Floyd Attaway of Hayward, who is business representative of the Hayward Culinary Local 823.

Manuel Dias, State president of the CIO, and also head of the CIO COPE, is a delegate to the CLC here from the Auto Workers.

The disconcerting news that the AFL LLPE in convention in San Francisco that that very day had given BOTH Democratic Engle and Republican Knight endorsement for U. S. Senator was divulged to the delegates by Groulx. CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash did not come to the meeting, as he was exhausted by days of the LLPE convention struggle.

Groulx said that the LLPE Advisory Committee, including others than members of the LLPE Executive Board, voted 7 to 5 to endorse Engle for Senator. But the LLPE Executive Board, after more than 3 hours debate, voted 11 for Engle and 11 for Knight. The tie was broken by LLPE President Tommy Pitts, who cast his vote for Knight. Both Pitts and LLPE Secretary C. J. Haggerty have long been allies of Knights.

When the matter went to the floor of the convention, there was again a long struggle. The Engle advocates finally, rather than run the risk of having the

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UNION COUNSELLORS came into full fledged existence at the above pictured dinner at the Villa de la Paix as certificates were handed to 49 union members and officers by Central Labor Council President Al Brown. The certificates show that the graduates took an 8-weeks course in counseling union members where to go in emergencies for aid. See story on page 6.

HOW TO BUY

Food prices critical, equipment cut

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Food prices have soared to emergency levels this Spring, in fact, have reached their highest point in six years. A market-basket of 19 staples priced by this department comes to \$8.20 this Spring compared to \$7.19 a year ago. This is a jump of 14 percent.

Most meats, poultry and even some frozen fish are priced 7 to 22 cents a pound more than a year ago. Similarly, fresh and canned produce are higher this Spring. Chuck roast, a usually low-priced meat on which working families rely, typically 39 cents a pound last year, now often is 59 and sometimes as much as 67, bone and all. Ordinary hamburger, frequently 39 cents last year, now is generally 49-51 cents.

Even packaged cornflakes, already overpriced for the nourishment provided, have jumped 2½ percent more. So you're paying more than ever for the premiums inside the cereal package.

If you're a typical wage-earner, the phenomenon of prices rising while pay envelopes are shrinking already has taken from you five percent of your real earnings — your buying power — in just this past year.

You have to expect food prices are going to remain very high for the next two to four months. Beef will be a little less expensive this Summer, pork will come down in the Fall, and produce will be cheaper. Late this Fall the third big inflation since the end of World War II will level off at least temporarily, and your family will have a breather. But for the next four months you'll have to seek out the relatively better values in foods, as indicated below, to keep steep eating fees from wrecking your budget.

Aside from the food situation, there's a downtrend in prices of some home equipment. Costs of several basic materials have come down, including aluminum, copper and lumber. Sheets and other textiles are at bargain levels. This gives you an opportunity to expand, repair or re-equip your home. May also is a month to find special values in

washing machines, dryers, ranges and clothing at the Spring clearances.

Here are the better values this department finds for this coming May:

Food: Cheddar cheese, eggs and frozen fish are relatively reasonable this month. Substitute them for meat dishes where you can. Unlike beef and pork, some cuts of veal are plentiful and lower, as veal shoulder roast. In poultry, broilers and fryers are more reasonable now. If you have a large family or can make a turkey do for several meals, you'll find turkeys over 16 pounds are even cheaper than last year, but small ones have jumped in price.

High prices of citrus juices and other produce have made a real problem this year. Best buys we can find in juices at this time are canned blends and grapefruit juice. Other money-savers, as low-priced or even cheaper than last year, are canned corn, especially creamed styles; canned and frozen peas; frozen and canned snap beans; canned apple sauce.

TELEVISION SETS: If you're looking for a TV set, prices are lowest of the year this month and next as manufacturers clear 1958 models. You'll save two ways, because 1959 models are expected to be ten percent higher when they appear in the stores next Fall.

PLUMBING, HEATING: This is the best time in the past two years to add or renovate a bathroom, or install a new heating system. Copper piping, plumbing fixtures have been reduced. Some makes of water heaters have dropped \$3 to \$12 from last year.

Teacher taught

The teacher wrote on the blackboard: "I ain't had no fun all summer." Then she asked a small boy in the front row, "William what should I do to correct that?"

"Maybe get a boy friend," he suggested helpfully.

Boy trouble

Father: What's the matter with Bobby?

Mother: He dug a hole and now he wants to bring it in the house.

A definition

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To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

A GOOD QUESTION: Will a Lana Turner movie draw bigger crowds in the future, or smaller?

Those who guess that she will draw smaller crowds to her movies are assuming that the majority of movie goers will be disgusted, will feel that she is a scandalous person who should not be patronized.

Those who guess that the crowds will be larger assume that a large part of the enthusiasm for movie actors and actresses arise not because of what they do on the screen, but because of what they do, or are pressaged into seeming to do, in their "private" lives.

CONFIDENTIAL, the scandal-mongering magazine that was prosecuted unsuccessfully some time ago, surely never published a ripper scandal than the Lana Turner one. Beauty, fame, mobsters, murder. What else can a scandal-eater ask?

One wonders why magazines like Confidential flourish, because, after all, enough spills over into the dailies from the Hollywood whirlpool to keep our homes splashed with perfumed mud most of the time.

PITY is the principal emotion some of us feel when one of these scandals breaks loose.

It is obvious, for instance, that a woman who has had four marriages, and such an affair as that with the man whom her daughter murdered, is a pretty sick baby—baby psychologically, if not in years.

Which makes it all rather dull for normal adults are on the whole more interesting as heroines than sick babies, if you're a normal adult yourself!

Politeness brings poise

In the days ahead, many a visiting youngster can be counted on to transform a visited home into a Roman ruin. The parents, fearful of suppressing the child's "freedom of expression," observe the scene with a Nero-like detachment. Other adult eyes are politely averted. The luckless hosts sit helplessly by.

Are freedom of expression and good manners mutually exclusive? Can a reasonably healthy child be harmed by the restrictions of common courtesy?

A "no" to both questions is virtually the unanimous opinion of child study experts. Freedom, they say, does not imply freedom to misbehave. Rather it is freedom to build, to grow, to learn to get along with others.

They agree that a child will profit in many ways by learning what has been called "the lubricating grease of social situations."

"Formal manners are important for a child," says Dr. Nina Ridenour, "because without them a child may feel ill at ease in social situations." Dr. Ridenour, a psychologist, is secretary of the Ittleson Family Foundation in New York.

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Pomanders easy to make

If you remember, grandmother hung oranges or lemons studded with cloves and rolled in cinnamon in closets to keep the contents sweetly fragrant. You can bring that quaint trick up to date by making your own pomanders. They make pretty and inexpensive gifts, too, especially for those who tend to nostalgia for the good old days.

To make pomanders: Select oranges or lemons that are clean, firm and thin-skinned. Prick holes in the skin with an awl or ice pick, being careful to stagger the holes to prevent the skin's splitting. Stick whole cloves into each hole until the fruit is covered with cloves. Roll the clove-stuck fruit in a mixture of equal parts orris root (available in drug stores) and ground cinnamon. Pat in as much of the powdered mixture as will adhere to the fruit. Wrap the pomander in tissue paper or other soft paper for several weeks. Remove the paper, shake off any loose powder and the fragrant pomander is ready for use in drawers or on linen shelves.

Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

"EVERY CHILD who isn't learning anything, who is miserable, unhappy, raising Cain, should be taken out of school at age fourteen and be allowed to go to work."

This is the opinion of Dr. Margaret Mead, famed anthropologist. She is not just talking through her hat, and she is well aware of the difficulties of such a program—providing adequate training, supervision, the finding of suitable jobs, and avoiding the pitfalls of exploiting of such child labor by unscrupulous employers.

Dr. Mead knows that in many primitive tribes, children are considered adults at fourteen and begin to take on the duties and responsibilities of adulthood.

In our society we have tended to prolong childhood, considering these teen years a time for education and preparation for the years to come.

But in trying to break away from the harsh days of old when young children toiled their lives away in factories, mines and fields, we have perhaps lost sight of the fact that all children are not alike and that some, a minority, to be sure, do not seem to fit into our school system as it is set up today.

Since education is compulsory and free it does not have the prestige value that it once had. And while most children make good use of the opportunities offered them, all too many "hate" school and seem to make a point of learning as little as possible.

All such children are not delinquents and some of them will of course straighten out later on. But some of them are going to "hate" work as much as they hate school. The girls who marry will hate housework, and the boys will hate their jobs.

In other words, girls and boys who refuse to take seriously the responsibilities of school are all too likely to go through life refusing to accept the responsibilities of adulthood as they come along.

Dr. Mead's solution is one many educators have thought of, but it would require a big overhaul of ideas of how to handle adolescents in this crazy, mixed-up modern world.

New fiber is adaptable

Science has just whipped up another fiber. Consumers will soon find it in blankets, sweaters, suits, dresses, drapery fabrics, rugs and many other fabrics.

Resembling wool, the synthetic Creslan is the first fiber from the chemists of the American Cyanamid Company. Famous for its chemicals, medicines, fertilizers, Formica and industrial products, the company is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary with the introduction of this fiber. Creslan is said to enlarge the previously limited color range of acrylic fiber. It will take dye in any color desired.

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Alameda Co. COPE endorses Clair Engle for U. S. Senator

At the Alameda County Council on Political Education (COPE) convention Thursday of last week Congressman Clair Engle was endorsed for U. S. Senator without discussion, just as Pat Brown was endorsed for Governor.

The convention considered the recommendations which had been made by the local COPE's executive board, which had held



CLAIR ENGLE
Endorsed by Alameda County COPE for U. S. Senator.

long screening sessions on candidates for two days previous to the convention.

Although there was some discussion in other cases, the only case in which the convention deviated from the executive board's recommendations was that of Harold Schoenfeld, candidate for County School Superintendent. The board had recommended his endorsement, but the convention, for policy reasons stated later in this article, without any disrespect for Schoenfeld, voted to make no endorsement for this office.

The full list of endorsements is given at the end of this article.

The meeting, presided over by COPE Vice President J. L. Childers in the absence from the county on union business of President Ernest Perry, accepted without discussion the endorsements of Jeffery Cohelan for

Congress in the 7th District, and Congressman George P. Miller in the 8th District.

The first discussion arose on the recommendation of Oakland City Councilman John Holmdahl for endorsement for the State Senate.

John W. Austin, Typographical 36, asked why Holmdahl was recommended for endorsement when as a City Councilman he had voted against unionization of the Oakland police. Austin suggested no endorsement for State Senate.

Statements in favor of endorsing Holmdahl were made by Harris Wilkin of the Food Clerks, Chester Bartalini of the Carpenters, Len Lawson of the Communications Workers. Wilkin said labor should stand unitedly for some candidate for the State Senate, Bartalini said Holmdahl was to be admired for his honesty and deep devotion to principle, Lawson said at the screening session Holmdahl had backed away from no question. Charles Roe of the Hayward Carpenters said he was for Holmdahl on the basis of the unit rule under which the board was acting.

Bert Porter, Plumbers 444, asked why there should be discussion. Why not just reject or accept the board's recommendation? Roy Woods of the Hayward Culinary Workers said he couldn't agree with that, the job of the convention was to discuss things fully.

Holmdahl was endorsed, with no recorded dissent.

When the endorsement of James H. Quinn came up for the State Board of Equalization, there was no dissent. C. E. Risley, Carpenters 36, said that he was glad to see the endorsement of a fine man like Quinn, who had come out of the ranks of labor, and was an honest and competent public official respected by all.

While the board's recommendation of no endorsement of candidates for the County Board of Education in Districts 1, 4, and 7 was accepted, Roy Woods pointed out that George Walter in the 4th District is a good man, respected by labor, and suggested that the board con-

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RW is condemned by Rabbis' Board

The Board of Rabbis of Northern California has condemned "right to work" legislation as being contrary to the best interests of the people of California and contrary to the spirit of the Jewish tradition, it was announced by C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor.

State AFL headquarters were advised of the rabbis' action in a communication from Rabbi Sanford E. Rosen, chairman of the Social Action Committee of the northern California rabbi unit, Haggerty reported.

Haggerty said the action of the rabbis was heartening "because it comes during a period when the proponents of class warfare are seeking to place a 'right to work' initiative on the November ballot."

The state AFL head also said that he believed the united action of Jewish, Protestant and Catholic social forces would do much to defeat the measure if it does qualify for the ballot.—State Federation Newsletter.

POLICE CHIEF W. W. VERNON of Oakland has asked East Bay Labor Journal to publicize the fact that the city is "conducting an extensive recruitment campaign for patrolmen until May 9."

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

WHAT ONE LABOR EDITOR SAID TO THE OTHER ONE

Editor of Valley Labor Citizen (Fresno) said in an editorial regretting death of Labors Daily that the Valley Labor Citizen is "one of the only two labor papers in the State of California which has guts enough to try to speak out in the spirit of Labors Daily 'as a sort of conscience.'"

Editor of East Bay Labor Journal: Thanks!

Loyola University honors Haggerty

Loyola University of Los Angeles presented a 10th anniversary labor-management school award to C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, Tuesday evening, April 15.

Reese Taylor, head of Union Oil Company, will receive a comparable management award.

The award presentations were made at a banquet in Rodger Young Auditorium, Los Angeles, and featured the 10th anniversary of Loyola's "industrial relations center" project.—State Federation Newsletter.

TRAFFIC LAW enforcement agencies throughout the State have been notified that registration of vehicles for 1958 is now complete, and laws requiring display of current stickers and registration cards may be enforced.

Air Force Academy applicants sought

Congressman George P. Miller is anxious to complete the panel of eleven young men to be recommended to take the Air Force Academy admission examinations. Applicants must be at least 17 years of age and must not have reached their 22nd birthday by July 1 of the year in which they enter the Academy and must be residents of the 8th Congressional District.

Miller urges that those who desire consideration to correspond with him not later than July 1, 1958, at his office: 506 House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Under the new system by which the class of 1959 will be selected, each Member of Congress will be permitted to nominate one principal and ten alternates.

In the event the principal fails, the selection will be made from among the qualified alternates from that district by the Air Force Academy Selection Board. As an alternative method of selection, a Member of Congress may nominate eleven candidates who will compete among themselves for that Member's appointment.

BERT A. BETTS, Democratic candidate for state treasurer, has announced the appointment of E. L. "Lee" Friedrich, Oakland contractor and past president of the East Oakland Optimist Club, as his Alameda County chairman.



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sider a recommendation to endorse him. This was carried.

When the board's recommendation of Harold Schoenfeld for County School Superintendent was read out by COPE Secretary Robert S. Ash, Ralph Steinhaus of the Teachers said that his union had held a meeting at which endorsements for this post were discussed, and it was felt that Ben A. Minton was the man worthy of labor's endorsement.

Schoenfeld, Steinhaus felt, was a company union man, that is, active in the California Teachers Association.

Roe said that Carlos Bee, who had just been endorsed for reelection as Assemblyman in the 13th District, also was active in the CTA, wasn't he? Schoenfeld, Roe went on, had answered all the board's questions very well. Charles Garoni of the Linoleum Layers, said Schoenfeld had come in with the best program.

Bartalini advised no endorsement for this office, and Joe W. Chaudet, representing the Newspaper Guild, agreed with Bartalini, saying that this was a struggle in which the candidates all came from different areas and there was much inter-area dispute; also that this was a purely administrative job, that labor needed all the support it could get on account of the "right to work" fight, and that it would be wise to stay out of a scrap involving the PTAs and Dads Clubs.

Bartalini had pointed out that women who are very active in the PTAs were involved in this fight, and Chaudet commented that in the "right to work" fight we need all the women's votes we can get, and that it was traditional that "hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

Woods also spoke against any endorsement for the post.

The recommendation of the board was turned down: it was voted, with no recorded dissent, to make no endorsement for the



EDMUND G. (PAT) BROWN
Endorsed by Alameda County COPE for Governor.

post of County Superintendent of Schools. It was stressed that this was done with no prejudice against Schoenfeld.

Frank Robello, United Auto Workers, was unanimously elected the local COPE delegate to the AFL Labor League for Political Education convention which met in San Francisco Monday of this week. Floyd Attaway, Hayward Culinary Workers, was elected COPE delegate to the CIO Political Action Committee convention, defeating Ernest Perry of the Steelworkers 39 to 30. Attaway is a City Councilman of Hayward. J. L. Childers, BTC business representative, had been nominated as delegate to CIO-PAC, but declined.

Steinhaus moved that the local COPE executive board not bind itself by the unit rule.

The following spoke against this proposal: Groulx, Fran Kaczmarek of Culinary 31, Chaudet, Childers, Roe, Edrie Wright of Culinary 31, Wilkin, Lucille Brock of Cleaners 3009, Garoni, and Al Thoman of the Carpenters. The gist of their argument was that only by adopting the unit rule could the local labor movement make itself felt politically, and achieve real progress.

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Carpenters 1622

By CHARLES ROE

A very important referendum vote on the resolutions passed at the recent State Council of Carpenters convention has been called for 8 p.m., April 25th by Carpenters' Local 1622, Hayward.

These resolutions, when approved by the membership, streamline the procedures of the State Council resulting in the formation of a militant organization to better serve the Carpenters through coordinated effort.

Carpenters Auxiliary

By WAVA M. BARBER

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wheeler entertained with a "Pot Luck Dinner" the following: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cameron, Bess Cameron and (little daughter) Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. John Clapp, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Durlinger, Dorothy Haefner, Bea C. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Leipsic, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Nall, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Light, Laura Osborne, Mary Johnston, Natalie Stenling, Peggy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Strand, Charles Barber, Monroe Kinney and Mae Bristow, who was a house guest of the hostess, Jo Wheeler.

Door Prize won by Larry Leipsic. High score for whist was won by Bess Cameron and Paul Light.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cameron are entertaining their son's family Mrs. Robert Cameron from San Luis Obispo.

Typo Auxiliary rummage sale April 24, Berkeley

Woman's Typographical Auxiliary will hold their annual rummage sale on Thursday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 1720 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley.

Anyone having articles to donate please contact either Mrs. Mary Farley, Landscape 6-8423, or Mrs. Mary Stapleton, ANDover 1-7944.

BUILDING TRADES craftsmen constitute about one-third of all the skilled workers in the nation, the U. S. Labor Department notes in its Occupational Handbook.

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Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

As you no doubt know, I am a member of the Joint COPE AFL-CIO in Alameda County that has just met in its first endorsing convention for local and other candidates.

I can say that what we lack in political savvy we make up in enthusiasm. A very good quorum was in evidence at all times.

If this is to indicate that our labor bodies are getting into a position to do an effective job representing you, and suggesting guideposts for political activity in these times of tribulation for us and ours, it is necessary that you make sure you and your friends vote on election day. If you don't it's a sad waste of money and time by a great many of our people.

Regardless of other issues, the main one is, and will be until it's settled, the "right to work."

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

As we informed you last week, we did request strike sanction from the San Mateo Labor Council against the Mutual Watch Institute of America and Westlake Jewelers. Another meeting is being held this week, at which time we hope to work out an agreement. If an agreement is not reached, we shall be forced to take action.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: Gilbert West, watchmaker instructor of John O'Connell Vocational High School and Technical Institute, will be in attendance at the next membership meeting being held in San Francisco April 24.

Brother West has been designated by the San Francisco Board of Education to take a course in electric watch repairing, as offered by the Hamilton Watch Co. He contemplates leaving to take this course in early May and would like to discuss this matter with the membership.

Please make every effort to be in attendance at this meeting.

We are happy to inform you that brother Ainsley Edmonds, who we reported, had had a very serious burn accident, is now asking to see his friends. Ainsley is still in the San Jose Hospital and would welcome a visit from you. Visiting hours are evenings from 7 to 8 p.m., and Sunday afternoons.

SAN FRANCISCO MEMBERSHIP MEETING: The next membership meeting will be held on Thursday, April 24th, at 7:30 p.m.—Native Sons Hall, 414 Masons Street, San Francisco.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Initiative backed by BTC to protect picketing rights

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asked how much cost the local BTC would be obligating itself for. Childers said that probably at least \$2000 cost here would be involved.

Dan R. Guzzi, Hayward Carpenters, asked why it was assumed that Alameda County should dig up 40,000 signatures, and Childers explained that this was the number the Robinson signature-collecting firm had assigned to the county in the sales tax drive.

Bob Kerr, Glaziers, said the thing seemed to be rolling, so let's try.

Ed Gulbransen, Painters 127, asked what was the State BTC's attitude. Childers said that he hadn't heard yet whether the matter had been fully decided on at the recent meeting of the State BTC's board.

C. E. Risley, Carpenters 36, commented that labor faced many problems already, and that if this were a flop, it would hurt labor.

BTC Vice President Joseph Pruss said that the Santa Clara BTC man had been going over the whole State stirring up sentiment for the measure, and if we tried we could put it over.

Bruce Dillashaw, Cement Masons, declared he didn't believe the proposal could qualify in the brief time remaining.

Louis Wilson, Carpenters 36, urged going ahead and trying. We should take a positive stand, he argued.

Childers said there was no doubt that it was a big job, but also there was no doubt it could be accomplished if proper efforts were made.

After all, argued Childers, there are some 70 business agents in the BTC affiliated unions, and if each one got 600 signatures among union members, neighbors, fraternal bodies, and friends in general, that would be 42,000 signatures right there!

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Childers reported that trouble with the Oakland Housing Authority about work belonging to the Glaziers was still being discussed.

BID PEDDLING

A communication from the Builders Exchange on procedures followed in letting contracts for the Longfellow School was read by Secretary John Davy.

It was agreed that the council should take a stand against bid peddling, that is, the practice of some general contractors who leave various items out of their bid, then peddle subcontracts for these items, resulting in cheap and inferior work.

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You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

There will be a special called meeting Friday at 8 p.m., April 18, 1958, at Carpenters Hall, 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, California, to decide the question, "Shall we have a Credit Union?"

You are also asked to vote on seven referendum proposals in the California State Council of Carpenters By-Laws.

Stewards Committee will meet on the third Thursday, April 17, 1958. Educational Committee will meet on the fourth Wednesday, April 23, 1958.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1473

Special called meeting, Friday, April 18, 1958 at 8 p.m. in Eagles Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland. We will vote on the proposed changes in the State Council of Carpenters Constitution. These changes are designed to make the State Council more effective.

Refreshments after the meeting.
Fraternally,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194

Special called meeting, Friday, April 18, 1958 at 8 p.m. in Eagles Hall, 2305 Alameda Avenue, Alameda to vote on the proposed changes in the State Council of Carpenters Constitution.

Fraternally,
J. W. NIXON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1622

Regular meeting will be held April 18. A SPECIAL CALLED meeting on April 28 which also is Social Night, and refreshments will be served free.

Meetings at Labor Temple, 1541 Mattox Road, Hayward, at 8 p.m.

The special called meeting is requested by the State Council of Carpenters to vote on referendum proposed changes in the Constitution of the Council, as voted by the delegates at the last convention. For detailed changes you are referred to a news item on page 4 in this issue of East Bay Labor Journal.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL
Recording Secretary

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The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, May 1, 1958, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, California.

1. We will have the regular order of business.

2. We will vote on the proposed amendment to our bylaws adopted June 14, 1956 under "Schedule of Meetings" on page 5, changing our regular meeting from the first Thursday of each month to the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Please make every effort to attend.

Fraternally,
BEN H. BEYNON,
Business Manager and
Financial Sec.-Treas.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

United Steelworkers Local 1798 meeting, Friday, April 25, 1958 at 8:00 p.m., 2315 Valdez Street, Hall D, Oakland, California

Fraternally,
DOROTHY McDAID
Recording Secretary

S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18, will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk Street, San Francisco, California on Sunday afternoon, April 20, 1958, at 1 o'clock.

Fraternally,
DUNCAN ROSS,
Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

Special Called meeting Friday, April 25, 1958, at 8:00 p.m. at 2108 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley to vote on changes in the constitution of the California State Council of Carpenters.

Fraternally,
H. B. RICHARDSON
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWInor-ks 3-1120.

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Friday night April 18 is the date of our next meeting.

Membership cards in the AFL-CIO Council on Political Education (COPE) may be had at our office from F. S. Bethel at \$1.00, good for a year. The suggestion that memberships in COPE be bought must not be construed as a requirement to remain a member of Local 1178. This is just a request for help from you to keep the present way of life we enjoy and to which we are entitled; to fight proposals by glib tongued politicians proposing legislation which, if adopted, would skin us alive.

Sincerely & fraternally,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

Local COPE: Engle; State AFL okays Engle AND Knight!

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convention endorse Knight alone, agreed to a compromise under which a "dual endorsement" was given.

"So now," said Groulx wryly, "all of you who are Republicans can vote for Knight, and all of you who are Democrats can vote for Engle."

The great majority of the CLC delegates, like labor people in general, are registered Democrats.

Despite the sighs, murmurs and little catcalls which indicated regret that Knight was included in the endorsement, the only delegate who rose to speak on the subject was Harry Lumsden, Shipyard Laborers 886.

Lumsden declared that the event proved there "is no leadership."

"We're being routed," he concluded, "it's dog eat dog, and our dogs are eating each other up."

He received vigorous applause.

GOP in Washington bans 'right-to-work'

Following prolonged and sharp debate, the Washington Republican State Central Committee meeting in Seattle, voted 34-24 to oppose Initiative 202, the "right to work" proposal now being circulated for placement on the November ballot.

As soon as the vote was announced, former State Senator Tom Hall, Skamokawa, immediately moved that the vote be recorded as unanimous. R. G. Buchanan of Spokane, who led the fight on behalf of the initiative, jumped to his feet and seconded Hall's motion. The deciding vote was by secret ballot. Hall's subsequent motion taken by voice vote prevailed.

In the official record the vote is recorded as being unanimously in favor of opposing Initiative 202.

Two years ago the Republicans remained neutral on Initiative 198, a similar measure which was overwhelmingly rejected by the voters.—State Federation Newsletter.

TEACHERS FEDERATION National Representative Henry L. Clarke told the Central Labor Council this week that "the only way the present crisis in education can be solved is by teachers organizing into democratic unions and affiliating with the great American labor movement." More of Clarke's statement will be published next week.

Time to apply for leadership meet!

Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash reminds all unions that applications of those who will attend the Union Leadership Conference sponsored by the council should be filed with him at once.

The conference is set for May 4-7 at the San Carlos Hotel, Monterey: rates American plan \$13 a day including not only regular meals but the banquet; one session devoted to cocktail party, golf, and fishing.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

No appeal planned from rail ruling

Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District have voted against carrying their fight to preserve the Bay Bridge rails to the State Supreme Court.

The split 4-3 vote came after Robert E. Nisbet, attorney for the district, reported that any appeal to the Supreme Court would have "two strikes against it."

Organized labor has contended that the rails should be retained on the bridge.

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State Apprenticeship Council meets April 24; 'The job still rugged'

The California Apprenticeship Council will meet in San Francisco, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, April 24 through 26. The council will discuss topics such as career counseling and guidance, improving work experience and evaluation, with the Bay Area Joint Apprenticeship Committee, labor, management, schools and the public.

Charles F. Hanna, Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, said, "The apprenticeship program is helping to remedy the shortage of skilled craftsmen. When an apprentice receives his trade certificate, he's worked for it and he's well qualified."

Hanna said that apprenticeship is still rugged—40 hours on the job and 4 hours of night school each week, as a steady diet for 4 years, is rough, but the average gross earnings are worth the initial investment.

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Machinist League endorses Hackett

The Bay Area Machinists non-partisan Political League, 701 13th Street, Oakland, has endorsed Mrs. Wilma Hackett, the officially endorsed candidate of the 16th AD Democratic Club for the State Assembly from the 16th District, according to a statement issued by her campaign manager, Mr. Wilmer Lee.

Chiropodists seek place in health, welfare plans

The California Association of Chiropodists, representing over 300 foot specialists is beginning an advertising campaign in East Bay Labor Journal to acquaint labor union members and their families with the importance of including chiropody services in health and welfare plans.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

Ed Park attacks 'right to work'

Ed Park, State Labor Commissioner, in an address March 27 to the Santa Barbara Personnel Association, denounced the proposed "right to work" initiative as an attempt to destroy unions "which could bring chaos."

Job not hunting license for hubby

State Labor Commissioner Ed Park in a recent talk at Santa Barbara criticized an advertisement in a Los Angeles paper for women secretaries which read:

"Glamorous working conditions where there are many single executives."

SUPERVISOR FRANCIS DUNN discussed the current political situation Friday, April 18, at a meeting sponsored by the Democrats of the 8th Congressional District, at 9720 Edes Avenue, Oakland.

Clark Corliss is honored as Union Counsellors graduate

There are now 49 Union Counsellors in Alameda County—men and women with diplomas showing that they have taken an eight-week course in community services so that they can give authoritative advice to union members who need assistance in any sort of family or social crisis.

The handsomely engraved diplomas—or certificates as they are officially called—were awarded by Central Labor Council President Al Brown at a dinner graduation ceremony at the Villa de la Paix Wednesday of last week. The certificates are signed by Brown, CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash, and Charles Garoni, chairman of the CLC Community Services Committee.

The dinner meeting was opened by Garoni, who turned the gavel over to CLC Assistant Secretary Arthur Hellender. Hellender had conducted the eight-week course, having had years of experience as CIO community services director before the merger of AFL and CIO.

Hellender pointed out that those who took the course had learned in detail just what social agencies are able to give what type of service to any individual or family needing it.

CLC Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx was introduced. The wish was expressed that the unions would go ahead with the program which the newly trained Union Counsellors would be able to carry on.

Richard McGee, State director of correctional institutions, was introduced, and said he was impressed by the fact that organized labor is as much interested in community problems as in bread and butter issues. The community services program, he felt, showed the growth of social consciousness in the labor movement.

McGee cited the Bill of Rights, the Sermon on the Mount, and other historic documents illustrating the growth of social consciousness, and the need of neighbors helping neighbors.

At present more women than men interest themselves in these matters, said McGee, and it was encouraging to see an increasing number of men participating. The need for the work is great, seen from the viewpoint of one in charge of what might be called a warehouse, with 5500 coming in to the correctional institutions as 4500 go out. In so many of these cases preventive social work would have made the "warehouse" unnecessary.

"We have 150 parole officers," said McGee, "and they cannot hope to meet all their responsibilities without the aid of lay counsellors such as you are training."

McGee said that counseling required patience, warmth of heart, and the good sense to know that one was not functioning as a psychiatrist, but when things reached a certain point must turn a person over to a professionally trained physician.

CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash presented a plaque to Clark Corliss, for the past 8 years executive director of the Community Service Council, who is now moving to New Orleans to take charge of the United Crusade there. The inscription on the plaque states that it is presented to Corliss because of his splendid

effort to make Alameda County a better place for those who live there.

Corliss, obviously much moved by the tribute, said that labor and the social welfare agencies have much in common, and that there was no group he'd rather have his efforts recognized by than the labor group.

Corliss throughout his years of service here has always insisted on having a labor representative on every committee with which he had anything to do.

Hellender called attention to the good work done by labor community service directors, Frank White in San Francisco, and Roy Colliver in Oakland.

Following are those who received certificates as Union Counsellors:

James L. Allen, Mailers 18; John A. Anderson, Blacksmiths 1168; Robert T. Anderson, Auto Workers 1031; Reid S. Bailey, Auto Workers 1031; Walter S. Banks, Machinist 284; Manuel Baptista, Production Workers 1566; John Bigelow, Steelworkers 4468; Rose Brown, Printing Specialties 382; Pete Ceremello, Paint Makers 1101; Junemarie Correia, Office Employees 29; Norry S. Correia, CWA 9490; Mona L. Crays, Office Employees 29; George C. Davis, Sugar Workers 20630; Tom Deirup, USA 1304; Clyde Dennis, USA 1798; Mina Dorrance, Retail Food Clerks 870.

Also Leslie H. Estes, Bartenders 52; Lloyd Ferber, USA 1304; John G. Ferro, Printing Specialties 382; William J. Foley, Insurance Agents 219; Ray Geiger, Printing Specialties 382; Florence Graham, GBBA 141; David C. Grundman S. F.-Oakland Mailers 18; Ted Kaufman, Teamsters 70; Patrick E. Kelley, Production Workers 1566; Clara Kelly, USA 1798; Earl M. Kester, GBBA 2; Alvin W. Kidder, Department Store Employees 1265; Len Lawson, CWA 9415; Clarence C. Meyers, Teamsters 70; Elizabeth Mackin, Office Employees 29; Benjamin Marshall, Rubber Workers 64.

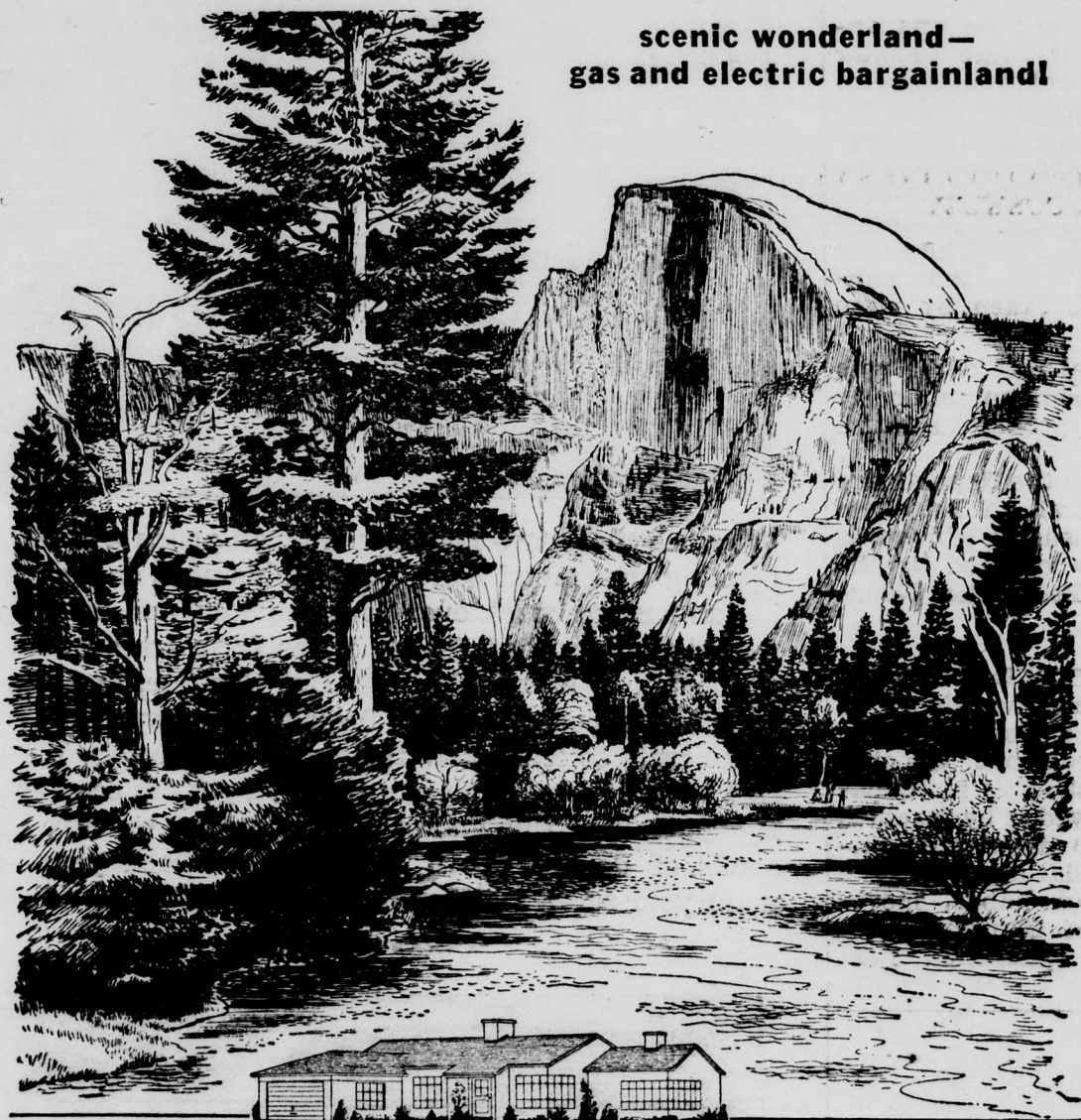
Also Freddie Martin, Cleaners 3009; L. C. Neca, CWA 9415; Joseph D. Newton, Sugar Workers 20630; Robert Otteson, Culinary Workers 823; Edmund Ragio, USA 5430; Raul I. Ramirez, USA 3367; Gratalee Reese, GBBA 141; Ed Reith, East Bay Municipal Employees 390; Manuel Rodgers, USA 1798; Harriet Sanborn, Department Store Employees 1265; John Strelor, Sugar Workers Council; George M. Stolaroff, UAW 333; William Stumpf, USA 1304; Ruth I. Suhling, CWA 9415; Robert C. Tapia, USA 3367; Ray Wilmoth, USA 3367; LeRoy V. Woods, Culinary Workers 823.

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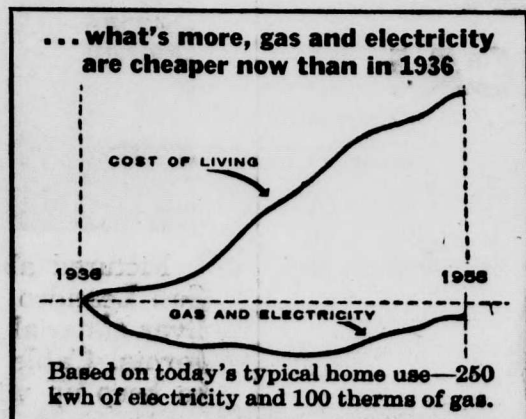


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CLC ousts Bakers; will confer with Meany on Teamos

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that the Bakery locals had been affiliated with the council for 58 years, that naturally they regretted leaving, but that there were many complicated matters involved in the remaining of the locals with the old international. For example, he said, not long ago he had reported to the council on the splendid new pension plan recently won; the fate of this was involved.

Russ Crowell of the Cleaners Local which along with the Laundry Workers Local has seceded from the old ousted Laundry Workers International Union, contended that if the Bakers were to be thrown out, the Teamsters should be, too. When his motion to reject the executive committee's recommendation for ousting the Bakers was voted down, Crowell then moved that the Teamsters be expelled.

After much discussion and many parliamentary maneuvers, Crowell suddenly withdrew his motion. During the discussion, President Al Brown turned the chair over to Second Vice President William Drohan, and spoke against the motion to expel the Teamsters. Brown represents the Teamster-affiliated Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Local 302 in the council.

Brown, as had other speakers, pointed out that the executive committee had some time ago sent a letter to AFLCIO President George Meany, asking if steps should be taken immediately to remove the Teamsters, that Meany had never replied, presumably for some good reason; that moreover, it was not necessary to expel the Teamsters, as no charge of corruption had ever been made against the locals here, and if necessary, the Teamsters could arrange to withdraw voluntarily, as they recently did in San Francisco. Throughout, he stressed the need for labor showing political unity.

Crowell having withdrawn his motion to expel the Teamsters, Joseph Angelo of the Steelworkers moved that representatives of the executive committee confer with President Meany when he is out here this month, on the question of what to do about the Teamsters. This motion passed.

Tuesday Roy Birno of Los Angeles, organizer on the Pacific Coast for the new American Bakery & Confectionery Workers, or the ABC, as it is commonly called, told East Bay Labor Journal that in Oregon Bakery Workers 404 in Medford and Local 287 in Eugene have joined the ABC, and that throughout the nation half of the old international's locals have seceded and joined the ABC.

Birno showed a letter issued by Daniel Conway, president of the new international, calling a convention September 8 in Atlantic City, which will be the first constitutional convention of the new grouping.

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Alameda Co. COPE endorses Clair Engle for U. S. Senator

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ress. It was pointed, out, too, that long hours had been spent interviewing candidates, and a united front for those chosen for endorsement should be shown.

Ash then made the following motion.

That delegates to this Alameda County Council on Political Education who are delegates to either the State LLPE convention or the State COPE convention be bound by the decision of this convention in voting on endorsed candidates at the State LLPE convention and the State COPE convention, and if endorsements are made that are different at either the State LLPE or the State COPE then this organization call another convention to act upon these differences.

Ash discussing his motion said that he was tired of having people sit in local labor political gatherings and agree on candidates or policies and then go to State labor political gatherings and run out on such policies or candidates, because of pressures exerted on them at State gatherings.

Bartalini backed Ash on this, and said that the unit rule was sound, that we should get together and discuss things and then go all out for our program. Woods, and Les Moore of Auto and Ship Painters also strongly supported the unit rule. The motion was adopted with no recorded dissenting vote.

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Delegates obligated in the Central Labor Council by President Al Brown at the April 7 meeting were: Printing Specialties 382—John Kaiser, Eileen E. Andersen; Insurance Workers 106—Roscoe B. Robinson, Eugene A. Norman; Machinists 1566—Thomas Burns Jr.

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CWA locals unite in warning Kaiser

Len Lawson of Communications Workers 9415 and Bob Rivers of Communications Workers 9490 are unitedly bringing pressure on the Kaiser Company and the telephone company to have the work of installing equipment in the new Kaiser building assigned to the Western Electric installers, who are members of Local 9490.

The Kaiser Company is being warned by the CWA locals that the telephone company management is obviously trying to stir up a jurisdictional dispute between locals, and that if the Kaiser's Company friendship toward labor is what is claimed, the Kaiser people will refuse to be used as pawns in such a game.

9 San Leandro leaders endorse Ben Minton for County Supt. of Schools

The Citizens Committee to Elect Ben A. Minton as County Superintendent of Schools has announced that the following have endorsed Minton: San Leandro City Councilmen or Councilmen-elect Jack Maltester, Valance Gill, William Swift, Robert Taylor, James Frazier, and Al Kant.

Also Frank Bricker, recently reelected to the San Leandro School Board; Tony Polvorosa, member of the San Leandro Planning Board, and vice president of the Northern California Steelworkers Legislative and Educational Committee; and Floyd Bueno, financial secretary, United Auto Workers 333.

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Milk Drivers 302 maintains policy of open finances

Every member of Milk Drivers & Dairy Employees Local 302 has now received a neatly printed copy of the local's annual report, which was recently published in the advertising columns of East Bay Labor Journal and daily papers.

For 14 years the local has been telling the world about its finances, along with other pertinent data.

Total receipts \$154,499.89; total expenses \$152,375.65; and the figures on how much it cost (\$83,114.52) to run the union, that is, to maintain offices, pay officers and staff and meet other expenses of negotiating contracts and administering the union's affairs. And so on for other items, such as welfare, payments to affiliates.

And all members are notified in the report they receive that "a detailed copy of the audit by a certified public accountant is available for inspection at the union office."

The local includes 700 drivers; 600 dairy employees, men and women; 400 specialty food and ice cream workers.

Local 302, an affiliate of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, has the following officers: Raymond Cirimeli, president; Harry Powell, vice president; Harry A. Akers, recording secretary; Willard E. Nelson, Alfred Silva, Peter E. Josephs, trustees; Albert Brown, George A. Hunt, business representatives; Jeffery Cohelan, secretary-treasurer.

Business Representative Albert Brown is president of the Alameda County Central Labor Council.

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Let's say they're more brainless than brutal

President Eisenhower was reminded by a reporter at a recent press conference that unemployment rose about 25,000 in the month which ended in mid-March. That is a period in which joblessness usually declines. Mr. Eisenhower commented:

"I see no figures that bring this thing to a critical point requiring a decision at the moment."

Perhaps the "figures" which Mr. Eisenhower can't see at the moment are the forlorn figures of the men and women standing in line all over the country applying for unemployment benefits.

At that, under pressure of public opinion, the Administration can see those forlorn figures of the unemployed a bit better than can some of the organizations which helped to elect this Administration, and will do their best to elect one even worse next time.

Take that distinguished group of dinosaurs, the National Association of Manufacturers. On March 31 a spokesman for the NAM told the House Ways and Means Committee that the Administration's plan for Federal aid to the unemployed after the unemployment benefits run out is "one of the most fantastic proposals of all time."

And the National Review, which aspires to be what one might call "the New Republic of the reactionaries," calls the money that would be paid out in this way a dole, and proclaims:

"A dole creates an artificial brake against reduction in labor cost brought by competition for work."

The National Review is saying nakedly what the NAM is saying diplomatically—that if workers and their families are starving, they will indulge in "competition for work," in short, will take any job they can buy by bidding less than the other fellow.

This is of course exactly what Senator Knowland is stupidly seeking. If he can get his "right to work" scheme across, there would be more "competition for work" in California, less purchasing power going into the hands of union families, more profits (for the time being) backing up into the hands of the employers, so they could wonder what in the world to do with their money. Then, when there was less purchasing power, Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Knowland could run around more frantically than ever with their Operation Bootstraps scheme—that of the unemployed lifting themselves up by their bootstraps by buying grand pianos and Cadillacs.

In short, we can give our Christian charity a good workout by conceding that these gentlemen who do not see the figures of the unemployed, and who want us to buy a boom with the few dollars we're hoarding to buy grub with—that these gentlemen are more brainless than brutal.

The small boats and the tide

Two men who undoubtedly studied the Alameda County municipal election returns last week with interest were Senator Knowland and Congressman Allen. Not only did the labor-endorsed candidates in four of the five cities where elections were held come out on top, but all of those victorious labor-endorsed candidates were Democrats!

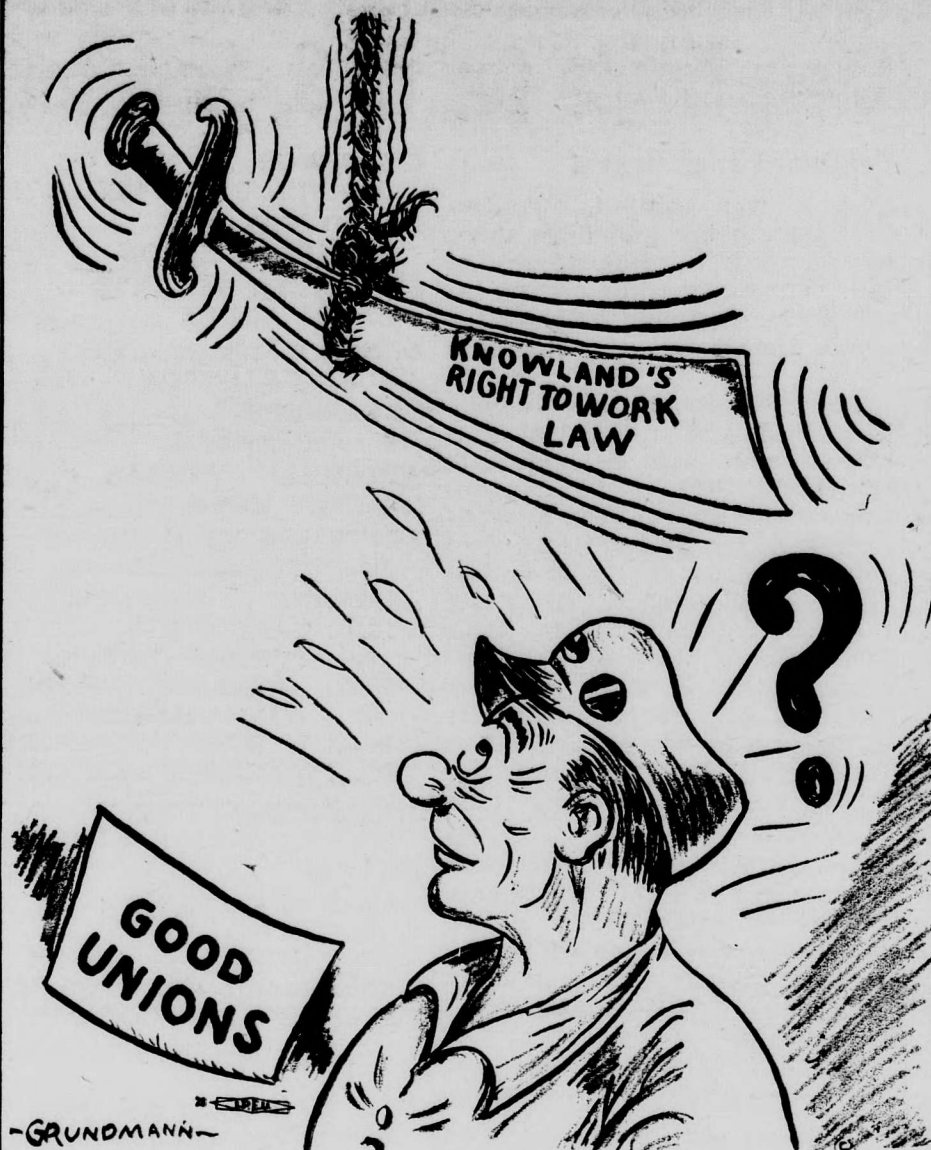
Congressman Allen in his letter asking for support for reelection says he's done a lot for the owners of small boats. Perhaps when Allen and Knowland read those election returns from their home county they wondered if their own small boats could make headway against the political tide.

'Little Wagner Act'

"A Little Wagner Act" has been signed by Mayor Wagner of New York, son of the former Senator whose name is attached to the famous law granting New Deal rights to labor. The new ordinance grants to city employees many of the same bargaining rights as workers have in private industry. True, it excludes police, schools, and transit employees, but it's a start, and in the right direction.

HARRY TRUMAN, in a 1956 letter declining an invitation to attend a dinner honoring Vice Presidents, wrote he didn't care to associate with Nixon: "He has never refuted his statement that I was a traitor, but even if he did, my feelings about him would remain the same . . . I just cannot sit with that fellow." That is a sentiment shared by many labor people, and it is extremely doubtful if ever there will be a "dual endorsement" of candidates by a labor group which would include the name of "that fellow." He's Tricky Dick Nixon, and that's that.

A BIG OVERHEAD



LABOR AND THE U.N.: THE DAY BY DAY WORK

This is the first of a series of articles which David Klugman, a member of Milk Drivers & Dairy Employees 302, will publish from time to time in East Bay Labor Journal.

By DAVID KLUGMAN

The second half of the 20th century has brought about some new concepts which are destined to stay, among them are atomic energy, trade unions, and the United Nations. It is necessary to study the impact of these new developments in our every day life.

In the process we may have to unlearn many of the ideas we are used to, if we want to become useful members of the world community of which, willy nilly, we are a part.

Labor has a big stake in the United Nations for, fundamentally, the U. N., just like a trade union, seeks to achieve the best possible living conditions for its membership. How the U. N. goes about that goal, how much it costs, what connection there is between the U. N. and organized Labor, will be the subject of this column.

Since Labor, as well as the U. N. is a human institution and only as good as the membership wants it, this column is your column. Please feel free to write, comment, ask questions and criticize to your heart's content.

Just like a labor union, the United Nations conducts its day

Steel price 'cut'

The reduction of steel scrap prices has reduced the cost of producing finished steel by about \$4 per ton. Where is a cut in steel prices?

The price of steel scrap, purchased by U. S. Steel, dropped from an average of \$45.31 a ton in 1956 to \$34 a ton in September 1957. About 27 tons of steel scrap are used in producing 100 tons of finished steel.

The cost of steel scrap used in producing a ton of finished steel dropped from \$12.56 in 1956 to \$8.69 in September, 1957—a \$3.87 cut of production costs per ton of steel. The price of steel scrap and the production cost per ton of finished steel have fallen further since September.

With this cut of production costs and steel output declining, one might think that steel prices would be cut to encourage demand for steel. Where's that steel price cut?—AFLCIO statement.

by day business, which is slow, unrewarding, unspectacular and very important. It is the three steps forwards, two steps backwards, sort of thing, which, in the long run, makes an organization click.

Everybody knows that the United Nations is a forum which is used as a sounding board by its 82 member-nations. Just like a trade union, the U. N. is a voluntary association which the members have joined in order to enjoy the benefits which derive from membership, exactly in the same way as we join a labor union.

In the case of the U. N. these benefits take various forms, sometimes they affect a whole country, sometimes individuals or groups of individuals.

Everytime we mail a letter, receive a penicillin shot, listen to the weather forecast or ride on an airplane, we touch a territory covered by the U. U.

The U. N. fights malaria in Central America, where in the past 10 years the disease has decreased by 50%, provides teachers for village schools in Haiti, injects penicillin into the children of Peru, establishes milk-bottling plants in Yugoslavia, fishing co-operatives in Chile or workshops among the unfortunate refugees of the wars in Palestine, Viet-Nam and Korea.

Those are the activities which do not hit the headlines of our newspapers, yet, which quietly attempt to make this earth a better place to live for everyone and, by improving living and health conditions, to remove the basic ingredients of hatred and war.

Cost of living

Workers — especially factory workers—are still getting the economic ax stuck in their necks, with little hope that it will be removed soon. The Bureau of Labor statistics reported that the cost of living zoomed to another all-time peak in February, the latest date for which figures are available, while the average factory worker with three dependents took home \$1.28 less than he did in February 1957.—AFL-CIO COPE.

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BACKS BARUCH

Editor, Labor Journal:

We are all aware of the damaging effects of a recession or of a period of inflation. At present the American economy finds itself in a ridiculous position. It is suffering from a deepening recession in the midst of inflation. How did such an absurdity come about? What can we do to guarantee its termination?

It is apparent that excess corporate profits have seriously weakened consumer purchasing power. These excess profits were secured by burdening the consumer with rigged prices. In other words, large corporations, especially in the basic industries, have refused to heed the law of supply and demand.

Confronted with unjust prices the consumer has found the purchase of durable goods an extreme difficulty. Yet, contrary to basic economic principles, prices remain stable. As a consequence, severe reductions in production have been necessary.

If the government decides to relieve the plight of the unemployed through deficit spending or a tax cut it merely bolsters inflation and allows these harmful profits to survive the mess they, in fact, created. The answer to our economic predicament lies in a recent suggestion offered by America's elder statesman, Bernard Baruch. This venerable adviser of presidents proposes a cut in prices and an increase in corporate income taxes.

Such a policy cannot avoid creating that requisite equilibrium among the principal segments of the economy. Enjoying a return of substantial buying power the consumer will stimulate production. The jobless will be able to return to work and prices will correspond to the law of supply and demand. In short, Mr. Baruch's formula contains the weapons with which to conquer the recession and reduce inflation.

Sincerely yours,
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HALF A BREAK

Editor, Labor Journal:

On page 5 of April 4th issue, you have an article "Labor Background Cited by Mary Wilson Backers in San Leandro Campaign."

In as much as Jack Maltester was endorsed by Labor, I do not quite understand why such an article was published. She may have a Labor background but she was supported by the anti-labor groups of San Leandro. . . .

Sincerely
W. YEOMAN

Editor's Note: We often publish statements by candidates not supported by labor, and if we had more space should do more of it. It's supposed to be in the American tradition to give the other fellow half a break.

SO MUCH EASIER

"Life is wonderful here and the schoolwork is so much easier. In France we have about 12 subjects and go to school eight or nine hours—and the homework, it's awful!"—Christine Thomas, student from France at S. F. prep school.

GOP & DEMOS

The Republicans are out to destroy organized labor — the single strongest voice for liberalism in our state. The Democrats are opposed to legislation which would destroy unions. — Valley Labor Citizen (Fresno)